

Looking for interviewees for a study on Jewish life in Eastern Germany

Jewish Life is part of the vibrant social diversity in Germany. Still, the current living conditions of Jews oftentimes remain invisible. At the same time Jews themselves are not homogeneous. They differ in the positions they take, the lifestyles they choose, their connection to Jewish religion as well as their biographies and the experiences they make living in Germany.

Jewish life as part of social diversity becomes especially visible in cities with big and vital Jewish communities – such as Berlin, Frankfurt, Munich, to name just a few. In Eastern Germany though Jewish communities are much smaller, few and far between, but here as well, Jewish life is part of everyday Germany.

In the research project “Diversity – Civic Engagement – Social Cohesion” we are interested in the question of how Jews perceive and describe their life in contemporary Eastern Germany and are looking for participants, who identify themselves as Jewish and live in Eastern Germany since at least 2-3 years. The narrative interviews will be held starting August 2021.

“Narrative interviews” are a form of interview that does not rely on the usual question-and-answer-structure and therefore are a lot more open in terms of possible topics. Compared to classic interviews, the main point of interest lies with the experiences, questions, problems and peculiarities the participants themselves associate with the subject on hand – in this case: “Jewish life”.

If so desired, it is possible to conduct the interviews either in German, Russian or English. The interviews will be recorded and put into writing. All personal data will be anonymized.

We would be very grateful, if you could distribute this invitation through your networks and forward it to anyone interested in participating!

For further questions and interest regarding the participation feel free to contact:

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